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SUBJECT:WORKING GROUP ON HEADQUARTERS FACILITIES

REF: STATE 177861, 177862, LONDON 10472

1. WG MET AUGUST 19 AND AUGUST 23; NEXT MEETING
SCHEDULED SEPT. 9 TO AGREE ON REPORT TO COUNCIL WHICH
CAN BE SENT TO COUNCIL PARTICIPANTS ABOUT SEPT. 15.

2. REPORT TO COUNCIL EXPECTED TO INCLUDE FOUR
GENERAL ALTERNATIVES: (A) OBTAIN SUITABLE EXISTING
FACILITIES FOR EXPANDED IMCO STAFF AND CONFERENCES;
(B) RETAIN PRESENT IMCO BUILDING, RENT CONFERENCE
FACILITIES AS NEEDED IN LONDON AT HOTEL, CHURCH HOUSE,
ETC. AND RENT ADDITIONAL STAFF OFFICE SPACE IN BUILDING
AS NEAR TO PRESENT BUILDING AS POSSIBLE; (C) MAKE
USE OF NEW CONFERENCE CENTER WHICH MIGHT BE BUILT BY
UK GOVERNMENT FOR IMCO AND RENT ADDITIONAL OFFICE SPACE
FOR STAFF IN SOME EXISTING BUILDING; (D) HAVE NEW
CONFERENCE FACILITY/OFFICE BUILDING CONSTRUCTED FOR
IMCO TO SUIT ITS NEEDS.

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COMMENT: OPTION (A) ABOVE APPEARS TO ALL TO BE A

NON-STARTER INVIEW UNABAILABILITY IN PRESENT OR FORE-
SEEABLE FUTURE OF ADEQUATE EXISTING FACILITIES IN
LONDON, OPTION (B) IS CONSIDERED LEAST DESIRABLE BY
SECRETARIAT; OPTIONS (C) AND (D) SEEM ONLY VIABLE
POSSIBILITIES TO WG MEMBERS.

3. GENERAL AGREEMENT IN WG THAT PLANNING BE ON BASIS
OF 20 YEARS IN CASE OF NEW CONSTRUCTION; UK BUILDING
EXPERTS POINTED OUT IT LIKELY BE EIGHT YEARS FROM
DECISION TO GO AHEAD ON NEW CONSTRUCTION TO OCCUPANCY
OF NEW BUILDING.

4. WITH EXCEPTION OF HOST COUNTRY (UK) OTHER WG REPS
FAVOR ALTERNATIVE (4) (NEW BUILDING) AS ONLY SATISFACTORY
LONG TERM SOLUTION TO HQS PROBLEM.

5. REPORT TO COUNCIL ALSO EXPECTED TO INCLUDE
PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATES OF SECRETARIAT INCLUDED IN
DOCUMENTS SENT DEPARTMENT (REF TELS).

6. WHEN REPORT TO COUNCIL AGREED WE WILL REPORT
FURTHER.
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